## **The Shady Acres Servant**

Matthew. 20:27, "Whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant." ~Jesus

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Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

> Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

- WATCH -In Search of the Lord's Way

Each Sunday KBSI –TV Cable Channel 9 7:00 a.m.

### The Refiner of Silver

Malachi 3:3 says: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver."

This verse puzzled some women in a Bible study and they wondered what this statement meant about the character and nature of God.

One of the women offered to find out the process of refining silver and get back to the group at their next Bible Study.

That week, the woman called a silversmith and made an appointment to watch him at work. She didn't mention anything about the reason for her interest beyond her curiosity about the process of refining Silver.

As she watched the silversmith, he held a piece of silver over the fire and let it heat up. He explained that in refining silver, one needed to hold the silver in the middle of the fire where the flames were hottest so as to burn away all the impurities.

The woman thought about God holding us in such a hot spot; then she thought again about the verse that says: "He sits as a refiner and purifier of silver." She asked the silversmith if it was true that he had to sit there in front of the fire the whole time the silver was being refined.

The man answered that yes, he not only had to sit there holding the silver, but he had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it was in the fire. If the silver was left a moment too long in the flames, it would be destroyed.

The woman was silent for a moment. Then she asked the silversmith, "How do you know when the silver is fully refined?"

He smiled at her and answered, "Oh that's easy--when I see my image in it."

If today you are feeling the heat of the fire, remember that God has his eye on you and will keep watching you until He sees His image in you.

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#### **SUNDAY - APRIL 17, 2022**

THOSE TO SERVE:

Lord's Supper: Presiding: Benny Eason

SUNDAY PM COMMUNION: Dan White

SCRIPTURE READERS:

A.M. Eric Sadler

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

P.M. Larry Kellett

John 12:12-13

TO LEAD PRAYER:

A.M. Opening: Kenny Cantrell

Closing: Steven Ulmer

P.M.

**Opening:** James Price

Closing: Doug Sturgess

**WELCOME TABLE:** 

April 17 - Anita Nelson & Bonnie Lawrence April 24 & May 1 - David & Teresa Braden

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS:** 

A.M. N/A

SENIOR MEMBERS BUS DRIVER:

April: N/A

USHERS: Bruce Lawrence, John McMillen

SOUNDROOM:

Zach Quick, David DeHart, Heath Alan Poindexter

SONG LEADER:

Sunday A.M. — Steve Turnbow

Sunday P.M. — Benny Eason

WORSHIP GREETINGS & WELCOME:

**DOOR GREETERS:** 

**SUNDAY SERMONS:** 

A.M. Delivered

Keith Olbricht

P.M. Hosanna!

Keith Olbricht

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Charles Bagby - local hospital, ICU

Roger Bartolo - home, recovering from a fall

Marlene Bryant - recovering from surgery, Marla Lambert's mother

Kasey & Kennedy Cogdill - serious vehicle accident, friends of Leigh Ann Colson

Faelyn Colson - is now at home, recovering from pneumonia, Leigh Ann Colson's granddaughter

Mary Eddy - received good test results

Mattie Ford - health issues

Linda Gillian - Marvin Walton's sister, lung cancer

Maggie Hatley - Bertrand Nursing Center

Gary Hicks - Ron Hicks's brother, on hospice

Della Hubbard - cancer, undergoing chemo treat-

ments, then will have surgery

Rosemary Hubbert - Bertrand Nursing Center

Adam Johnson - James & Bonnie Morgan's grandson is having health issues

**Brenda Nimmo** - undergoing treatments at Siteman **Matt Roberts** - son of Ken & Barbara, liver cancer,

he received a liver transplant and doing well

Kyle Smith - Amanda Berry's son, still in hospital

Rose Smith - recovering from shoulder surgery

**Debbie Smoot** - health issues, this is the lady who Leigh Ann Colson donated a kidney to 9 yrs ago

Cheryl Turner - thyroid surgery April 25th

John Anderson, Charles Bagby, Mary Bain, Roger Bartolo Jr., Tom & Carol Britton & Blake Coleson, Marlene Bryant, Charles Buttry, Beckham Collins, Mamie Cowger, Ruth Ann Crest, Jo Ruth Dale, Katrina Eddy, Danny Freeman, Bob & Eualia Hamby, Patsy Harris, Barbara Harwood, Ray Hart, David Hays, Scott Henderson, Dawson Hicks, Pat Hosey, Ariel Houston, Phil Hubbert, Georgia Jacobsen, Geraldine Karnes, Jocelyn Keen, Darin Kellett, James Kennedy, Dorothy Lawrence, Gary Melvin, Glenna Merrell, Christine Miller, Glen Mouser, Barbara Murray, Bobby & Martha Parker, Ray Parker, Emma Patterson, Louise Payne, Vance Raines, Vance Raines Jr, Pat Reynolds, Wayne Rush, Paul Scott, Pam Shankle, Roy Sharp, Carol Evans Smith, Debbie Swafford, Davis Taylor, Marvin & Charlotte Walton, Thomas Wells, Cheryl White, Leveda Williams, Stanley Williams, Sue Worth

#### PRESCHOOL BIBLE HOUR SCHEDULE

April 10 - Teresa Braden April 17 & 24 - Sarah Olbricht

#### **BIG BIBLE HOUR**

April & May - Cindi Cantrell

#### **BIBLE STUDY QUESTION**

Answer to last week's question: What was the occupation of Cornelius? Centurion - Acts 10:1

<u>This week's question</u>: What did Mary use to wipe the feet of Jesus after anointing them with perfume?

BARNABAS GROUP: Mondays at 10:00 a.m.

**LADIES PRAYER GROUP:** Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. All ladies are welcome.

WORK DAY at Bootheel Youth Camp will be May 14th.

**HORIZONS:** Camp at Freed-Hardeman for 7th grade & older will be **July 3-8**. Please let Jared know ASAP if you want to attend.

**BOOTHEEL YOUTH CAMP 2022:** Applications are available on the table in the foyer.

**Branson, MO Youth Trip** ~ June 9-10: "*Jesus*". Tell Jared if you want to go.

**NEW BABY: Jeff & Rosie Marr** worshipped with us several years ago. They have recently welcomed little **Jeffrey Jr.** We are taking up a collection to buy them a Wal-Mart gift card for diapers, etc. Please give your money to Cindy Sidwell as soon as possible.

**SYMPATHY:** We extend our love and sympathy to **Leigh Ann Colson** and family in the loss of her cousin, **Clay Eaves**.

#### FOR THE R ECORD — April 10, 2022

Sunday Bible Class - 92 Sunday a.m. Worship - 186
Sunday p.m. Worship - 82 Contribution \$9,056

Weekly Budget \$7,898

Please keep all the families that are going to Nashville this weekend for Lads to Leaders in your prayers for a safe trip.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Monday, April 18th from 12:30-5:30. You can sign up on their website or contact Keith Olbricht.

If you would like a copy of the 2022 budget, they are available on Cheryl's desk.

CONGRATULATIONS: Jerry and Wanda Kelley have a new great granddaughter, Violet Marie Kelley, born April 10th. Parents are Talor & Sara Kelley.

**ELDERS SEARCH:** We will soon begin looking to find some new elders. If you have any questions, see one of the elders.

#### **FAITH**

Is like Wi-Fi, it's invisible but it has the power to connect you to what you need.

#### PARAGOULD CHILDREN'S HOME

Lets start collecting early for the next truck that will be here Monday, **May 23rd** to pick up donated items. Please leave these items in the room across from the library. Requested items:

- 1. Instant Potatoes
- 4. Coffee
- i 2. Pancake Syrup
- 5. Kool-Aid Mixes
- 3. Snack Crackers
- 6. Sodas

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# Two Things That Trouble Me About Some Christians Today

By Edd Sterchi

There are a couple things that concern me when I observe some Christians in today's times: How much of the world is in them and how little of the Bible is in them.

I believe that there is a correlation at work here: the less of the Bible that one knows, the more of the world that will creep in. Of course, the opposite is true, as well: the more of the Bible that one knows, the less the world will influence them.

It basically comes down to this: The world or the Word – we must make our choice.

"Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world – the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life – is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever." (1 John 2:15-17)

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